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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Patent Application of)
VADERS, Dennis H.) Art Unit: 1733
Serial No. 09/996,206) Examiner: Yao, Samchuan Cua
Filed: November 28, 2001) Attorney Docket No.: 16,240.291
Title: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING)
CONTOURED CONSOLIDATED)
CELLULOSIC PANELS WITH)
VARIABLE BASIS WEIGHT)

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

DRAWING AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 11, 2003, your reconsideration of the drawings is requested based on the attached amended drawings.


The attached drawing Replacement Sheet 1 shows changes to Figures 3, and Replacement Sheet 2 shows changes to Figures 4-6. Annotated Sheets 1 and 2 show the amendments made to Replacement Sheets 1 and 2 in red ink.

Original Figures 3 and 6 were amended to delete improper crosshatching and reference number 53 was added to Figure 6. In Figures 4 and 5 reference number 38 was

changed to reference 53. Support for the changes is found on page 6, lines 11-24, and on page 7, lines 1-24. The cited support references indicate that the mat 38 is formed into a softboard-type mat 53, and the softboard mat 53 is then machined and compressed.

It is respectfully submitted that this drawing amendment, in combination with the associated Request for Reconsideration, places the application in condition for allowance. Should the examiner believe that additional discussion is required, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees to deposit account no. 50-0548.

Respectfully submitted,



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